CENSUS TAKER.

Will Ask These Questions.

"How old are you? Are you married, single, widowed or divorced? Is the house you live in, your own; and, if so, is it mortgaged or free? What is your occupation, and how many months out of the year are you employed?"

These are some of the pointed, personal questions which will be asked during the taking of the twelfth census of the United States, which will begin June 1 and end June 15, 1900.

The years 1900 and 1901 will constitute the greatest census-taking era in the history of the world. Besides this country, 14 of the principal European countries are to "count noses," but the census of the United States is to be more extensive than that of any other nation.

The last census cost \$11.271,500, and more than 60,000 men were employed in making it. This census will be even a greater effort.

The law requires that the census shall be taken between June 1 and July 1. As four of these days fall on Sunday, but 26 working days are left.

The director of the twelfth census is William P. Merriam, former Governor of Minnesota.

The supervisor for 7th Congressional district is H. H. Parsons.

Several objectionable questions which were asked of citizens by census enumerators ten years ago will be omitted this time. For example, persons suffering from any chronic disease will not be requested to disclose that fact.

The answers given heretofore have proved utterly valueless from a statistical standpoint.

These are the questions which you will be called upon to answer this year:

- r. Surname, christian name, initial.
- 2. Residence, street, number of
- 3. Relationship of each member to the head of the family.
 - 4. Color or race.
- . 5. Sex.
- 6. Age at last birthday.
- 7. Day, month and year when born.
- 8 Are you single, married, widow, widower or divorced.
- 9. Number of years married.
- 10. How many children?
- 11. How many children living.
- 12. Sex of these children.
- Territory; if of foreign birth, give 7 tf

name of the country only.

- 14. Where was your father born? Your mother? (Same conditions as the foregoing.
- 15. If of foreign birth, when did you come to the United States?
- 16. How many years have you resided in the United States?
- 17. Have you been naturalized? How many years since you became a citizen?
- 18. What is your occupation, trade or profession? (This question applies to persons 10 years of age
- 19. How many months during the year are you employed?
- 20. How many months have you attended school?
 - 21. Can you read?
 - 22. Can you write?
- 23. Give the main facts concerning your education.
- 24. Do you own the house in which you live?
- 25. Do you rent the house in which you live?
- 26 If you own the house, is it free or mortgaged? (The same questions apply to farms.

All the occup ints and employees of a hotel, if they regularly sleep there, make up, for census purposes, a family. One person dwelling alone is returned as a family. A house may be a room in a factory, store or office building, a loft over a stable, a shanty boat, a house handled and the buildings. boat, a tent or wigwam.

The Ladies' Harmonic Club.

The Ladies' Harmonic Club will meet with Mrs. Emilie Mayer, Monday, April 2, at 2:30 p. m.

Roll Call-Important Opera Sing-

History-German Opera.

Sweet Evening Star," from "Tannhauser" (Wagner); Miss Ellen Black.

Piano Solo-Selected; Miss Lillie Page.

Vocal Solo-Elizabeth's Prayer, from " Tanuhauser " (Wagner); Mrs. Horne.

Piano Solo-Pilgrim's Chorus, from "Tannhauser" (Wagner);

Soprano Solo-"Sleep, Dearest Child," (Wagner); Mrs. Vanstone.

Piano Solo - Walter's Prize Song. from "Die Meistersinger" (Wagner); Mrs. Mayer.

MRS. E. S. PLACE, Pres. MRS. J. A. WHITTED, Sec.

For Sale.

Fifteen head of grade and thor-13. Where were you born? If oughbred Shorthorn Bulls, aged from 1 to 2 years. Will sell single or in lot. GEO G. HAWKINS, Fairville, Mo.

STATE FAIR MATTERS.

The Executive Board Returns From a Trip East.

N. H. Gentry, of this city, and George B. Ellis, of Appleton City, both members of the state fair executive board, returned Saturday morning from their trip east in the interest of the fair. They were accompanied on this trip by the president of the board, Norman J. Coleman; the secretary, John R. Rippey and Alexander Maitland, of Richmond, Mo. All of the gentlemen were delighted with the trip and reported that they had learned much that was of interest to them, and also a great deal which will help them in arranging for the big Missouri fair which will be held in this city.

The gentlemen first visited Columbus, Ohio, then Indiana, then Illinois.

The Missouri commissioners have decided to call a joint conference with the street railway and railroad officials, the Business Men's club and others directly interested. which conference will be held in this city sometime within the next two weeks. At this conference the plans will be thoroughly gone over and an effort will be made to lay out the grounds and decide in which manner the crowds will be

to be arranged in order that the this city. spectators may be able to see all of the races without having the sun would be in favor of a half-mile track were it not that the Missouri bill provides for a mile track. The tence will in all probability be pick-Piano Solo-'O Thou Sublime et, interwoven with wire, after the plan of the Illinois fair.

by next month.-Sedalia Capital.

T. Q. C. Reception.

The reception given by Miss Estelle Dawes to the T. Q. C's on Saturday afternoon at Misfletoe Club rooms, was universally acknowledged to be one of the most pleasant meetings in the club's history.

Miss Dawes enjoys entertaining and does so with a great deal of pleasure to her guests. Dancing was indulged in during the early after which the party were invited into the billiard room, where an hour or more was spent at this graceful and intensely interesting game. The following menu was served at Loomis's parlors: ham sandwiches, cheese straws, pickles, apple salad, coffee

Missionary Society Entertained.

The Missionary Society of the Baptist church met in open session on Thurday afternoon with Mrs. C M. Buckeer, at her home on Brunswick Ave., when the hours from 3 to 5 were spent most delightfully.

An interesting program was given, which was enjoyed quite as much by the guests as by the members of the society.

Mrs. D. F. Bell gave a talk on 'When the Society was Organized," sixteen years ago, during which time they had never failed to meet regularly twice a month. Mesdames L. P. Viley and John Reynolds each gave an excellent paper on "Mission Work." Miss India Griffith delighted the company with a recitation, after which coffee, chocolate and a variety of delicious cake was served.

So pleasant was the afternoon with Mrs. Buckner, that the society decided that they would frequently hold an open session.

A Pretty Luncheon.

Mrs. I. N. Seargeant entertained a company of lady friends on Friday afternoon in a most hospitable manner. The pretty luncheon was given in honor of Mrs.O. L. Conoley of St. Louis, who is at present An amphitheatre will also have a guest of Mrs. J. W. Howell of

Spicy carnations were used in the rooms and a very delicious shine in their eyes. The board menu was served at five o'clock. The hostess was assisted by Mesdames R. E. L. Smith and James Wingfield and the afternoon was one of real enjoyment.

The following ladies were present: Mesdames O. L. Conoley, J. Work on the grounds will begin VanDyke, R. E. L. Smith, James Wingfield, J. C. Lamkin, Mrs. Annie Wright, Mrs. James Colvert, Mesdames E. R. Pemberton, C. L. Bell, B. F. Naylor, J. B. Wood, J. McClure, J. W. Howell and R. B. Taylor.

Banquet at Blackburn.

The banquet tendered D. M. Pinkerton on Saturday, March 24. at the Midway Hotel at Blackburn, was a grand affair and a high compliment to Mr. Pinkerton. There were in all about two hundred gentlemen present, and the different towns in the county were well represented. Those who attended from Marshall were: J. L. Woodbridge, J. P. Huston, J. C. Lamkin, P. C. Armentrout, W. B. Kincaid, A. Leonard, Judge Davis, R. C. Horne, E. D. Martin and J. C. Patterson.